

## **KHNL News 8**

### **CDF Action Council Rates Abercrombie Among 'Best' to Protect Children**

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- The Children's Defense Fund Action Council has rated U.S. Representative Neil Abercrombie as one of the best lawmakers based on his votes to protect children.

Abercrombie earned a 100% rating on ten key issues reviewed by the Council.

"Our children have always been my most important 'special interest' and I intend to continue to do all I can to provide them every opportunity for a bright future," said Abercrombie.

The CDF Action Council compiles the Nonpartisan Congressional Scorecard each year. The 2007 scorecard rated Members of Congress according to their votes on:

1. Supporting Pay-As-You-Go Rules for Taxes and Spending
2. Increasing the Minimum Wage
3. Supporting the 2008 Budget Resolution
4. Protecting Children from Unsafe Medications
5. Extending Health Coverage to 4.1 million Uninsured Children
6. Helping Youth Pay for College
7. Extending Health Coverage to 3.1 million Uninsured Children (The pared-back legislation was re-introduced and passed following President Bush's veto. He vetoed it a second time.)
8. Funding for Child Health and Education
9. Supporting Tax Relief for Low-Income Families with Children
10. Expanding the Head Start program